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REMOVAL FILTER AND THE USE THEREOF

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Sir:

Prior to the examination of the above-identified patent application on the merits,
entry of the following amendment is respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Specification are reflected beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims appear in the Listing of Claims beginning on page
10 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 15 of this paper.